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Mr. Donald Davis Federal Highway Administration Federal Office Building, Room 826 300 E. 8th Street Austin, TX 78701

Dear Mr. Davis:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed construction of Segment G of State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway). The proposed action is the construction of a new location highway facility, approximately 13.7 miles long, and built to accommodate a 70 mph design. Segment G has a study area that is bounded by Interstate Highway (IH) 45 to the west, United States Highway (US) 59 to the east, Farm-to-Market (FM) 1960 to the south, and just beyond the proposed Grand Parkway segment to the north. Segment G is located within Harris and Montgomery Counties, Texas.

EPA finds that the FEIS has adequately responded to our comments offered on the Draft EIS. We have no other comments to offer. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Jansky of my staff at (214) 665-7451 or by e-mail at jansky.michael@epa.gov for assistance.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the FEIS. Please send our office two copies of the Record of Decision when it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities, EPA (Mail Code 2252A), Ariel Rios Federal Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, DC 20004.

Sincerely yours,

Cathy Gilmore, Chief Office of Planning and

Coordination (6EN-XP)